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***GOVERNOR DEDICATES 'GREEN' GAME AND FISH BUILDING***  
***New Headquarters Tout Energy Efficiency, Environmentally Friendly Features***

PHOENIX – Governor Janet Napolitano today officially dedicated the new Arizona Game and Fish Department headquarters, a uniquely engineered facility that is a new model for government efficiency and energy conservation.

“This building represents a new frontier for energy efficiency and the use of renewable energy in state buildings,” said Governor Napolitano. “Game and Fish already works to protect Arizona’s wildlife and wildlife habitat; it’s also working to conserve precious resources.”

The headquarters exceeds the Governor’s 2005 executive order requiring all new state buildings obtain at least 10 percent of their energy from renewable resources and achieve at least a silver certification in the LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) rating system. The Department is currently working toward achieving a gold LEED status.

The state of the art facility uses features that are environmentally friendly and adhere to the Governor’s Efficiency Review Initiative to save Arizona taxpayers money. For example, this new building uses only regionally harvested material and wood from managed forests; employs technology that reduces the need for artificial light and heat; and reduces water usage with retention basins, natural landscaping and low-use plumbing fixtures. The plumbing fixtures alone reduce water usage by 150,000 gallons per year.

The efforts of Arizona Game and Fish complement the steps the Governor has been taking to protect the environment, conserve resources and combat Climate Change, including:

- Adopting the 49 recommendations from the Arizona Climate Change Advisory Group to reduce Arizona’s greenhouse gas emissions such as:
  - Setting a statewide goal to reduce Arizona’s GHG emissions to 2000 levels by 2020 and to 50 percent below 2000 levels by 2040
  - Directing the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality to adopt the California greenhouse gas vehicle emissions standards
- Reducing state government water consumption by 17 percent compared to 2004 water use rates and increasing energy efficiency by 4.6 percent since 2002

- Strengthening Arizona's water statute by giving cities, towns and counties additional authority over new developments in the absence of a 100-year water supply
- Being the first state to adopt a comprehensive, 20-year strategy that addresses forest health comprehensively at the state level
- Signing the strongest air quality bill in state history to reduce particulate emissions
- Working with other states to create The Climate Registry, a multi-state, multi-national effort to track greenhouse gas emissions and reductions
  - Arizona was the very first state to join The Climate Registry
- Partnering with several other Western states to establish the Western Climate Initiative (WCI), which is creating a Western regional cap-and-trade program for greenhouse gas emissions

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